

AUBURN ARTS COMMISSION

Study Session Notes

September 27, 2011

The special study session was called to order at 8:18 am by Vice Chairman Lee Buckingham at Auburn City Hall, Room 10. Present were: Lee Buckingham, April Maynard, Joyce Silva, and Judi Lardner.

A quorum was established.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Fund Raising for the Auburn Arts Commission: Judi asked about the AAC Strategic Plan (6/15/01) and wondered whether it needs to be updated. Lee said that in the past, the AAC had more direction and a budget. A general discussion followed regarding the logistics of funding and the AAC's connections with other arts organizations.

Joyce raised the issue of the proposed Arts Festival. April said that the Strategic Plan could be used to support the festival. ("The Auburn Arts Commission fosters and promotes the Arts as an essential element of our community life for both residents and visitors.")

The discussion about fund raising continued, including the possibility of seeking grants and whether the AAC can independently raise funds for our activities. We then discussed the role of the AAC and how it is defined through official City documents. It was discovered that not all AAC binders contain the same documents in the AAC Guidelines/Strategic Plan section. It was suggested that we review the binders at the next meeting to make sure that all members have complete documentation.

We agreed that we should discuss our official role at the next meeting and review all supporting documentation to clarify our purpose and procedures and to determine whether an updated Strategic Plan is needed. Judi said she would talk to Amy Lind (Assistant City Clerk) and obtain all City documents pertinent to the AAC and send them via email to other AAC members. It was agreed that goal setting should follow this review.

The next regular meeting will be on October 11, 2011 at 8:15 am.

Study session adjourned at 9:20 am

Respectfully Submitted,

Judi Lardner, Secretary